# **Hants and Dorset Amateur Rowing Association**

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#### Title

These Rules are established by the Hants and Dorset Amateur Rowing Association (Hants and Dorset ARA or The Association) and shall be known as the Hants and Dorset ARA Regatta Rules.

## **Purpose**

The purpose of these Rules is to:

- Provide a basis for safe, fair and equal racing whilst adhering to the requirements of British Rowing's Row Safe Document and British Rowing's Safeguarding and Protecting Children Policy
- Provide a consistent framework for the regulation and organisation of regattas and other rowing events (events)

#### Interpretation

Wherever possible these rules should be interpreted consistently with each other. In general provisions regarding safety shall take precedence over any other provision.

## Scope

These Rules shall be observed by all clubs and competitors taking part in any event affiliated to the Association.

#### 1.0 DEFINITION OF OARSMAN, OARSWOMAN, REGATTA AND SEASON.

- 1.1. In these Rules "oarsman/woman" shall include "sculler", "rowing", "sculling", regatta, a race or processional event unless the contrary intention is expressed.
- 1.2. Regatta does not include an Invitation race or Races restricted to entries by invitation only.
- 1.3. The season shall extend from the 1st of January to the 31st December in each year.

## 2.0 AREA COVERED BY RULES.

2.1. The Rules governing racing laid down by the Association shall be observed by all regattas, clubs and competitors taking part in any regatta affiliated to the Association.

#### 3.0 REGATTA ENTRY FEES.

- 3.1. Entry fees for Championship Races shall be as prescribed by the Association at its Annual General Meetings and may be returned to the Clubs where an event is cancelled at the discretion of the Regatta Committee.
- 3.2. Late Entry Fees for championship races shall not exceed the scale last laid down by the Association at an Annual General Meeting.

## 4.0 ASSOCIATION REPRESENTATION.

4.1. Clubs representing the Association must reside primarily within the boundaries of Hampshire, Dorset and the Isle of Wight.

#### 5.0. EVENT DATE.

5.1. Any event within the H&D area (see H&D General Rule 3.0.) and organised by a H&D affiliated club has to register the proposed date of the event with the Association Secretary using the appropriate official form no later than the 30<sup>th</sup> September of the preceding year (or at an earlier date as set and requested by the Association Secretary).

#### 6.0. EVENT PERMIT.

- 6.1. Any event ratified under H&D Rule for Boat Racing 1.0. and so notified under H&D Regatta Rule 5.0. shall apply to the Association Secretary (or nominated person) using the appropriate official form for an H&D event permit no later than one month prior to the proposed date of the event (see H&D General Rule 6.0. and H&D Event Safety Rule 6.0.).
- 6.2. On receipt of the appropriately completed event permit application form, payment of the event permit fee (see H&D General Rule 6.0.) and event safety information to the RRSA (see H&D Safety Rule 6.0.) the Association Secretary (or nominated person) will issue the event with an event permit.

#### 7.0 EVENTS HELD OUTSIDE THE ASSOCIATION AREA.

- 7.1. Events and Heads staging events outside the area of the Association wishing to hold events or divisions of events for members of the Association (and other Coastal Clubs) may apply to the Association Secretary (or nominated person) for an event permit (see H&D Regatta Rule 5.0. and 6.0.) paying with their application the agreed event permit fee (see H&D General Rule 6.0.) at least two months before the event and if granted may advertise the event as being held under the rules of the Association in which case the rules of the Association shall be observed.
- 7.2. The Association shall use its best endeavours to provide its own officials, or the organiser will ensure that their officials shall enforce the Associations rules if six or more coastal crews compete but if less than six coastal crews take part such events shall be classified as non-status invitation race without effecting status

#### 8.0 ALL CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS TO BE INCLUDED.

8.1. Regattas applying for Championship points must undertake to include races for all events for which Championship points are awarded unless the executive committee authorise any events to be omitted.

## 9.0. NOTIFICATION OF CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRY TO REGATTAS.

- 9.1. Regatta committees shall give adequate notice to all affiliated clubs of the closing date for entries which must not close more than three weeks before the event.
- 9.2. A copy of the letter inviting entries to a particular event shall be sent to the Association Secretary.

## 10.0. ENTRIES TO REGATTAS.

- 10.1. All entries must be submitted on the Association forms by the competing club together with the entry fee.
- 10.2. Regatta Committees may, subject to the consent of the Executive Committee of the Association being first obtained, limit the number of crews accepted from each club in each event.
- 10.3. Names of Novice Crews are not required before the day of the Event but must be submitted before the start of the Event after which any changes are subject to the usual rules. Novice Oarsman/Women must be registered with the Association in accordance with H&D Registration and Competition Rules.

#### 11.0. AMENDMENTS TO ENTRIES.

11.1. Any amendments be submitted on the Association form by the competing club to regatta control at the designated time prior to the start of the regatta.

#### 12.0. WINNING NOVICE CREWS.

- 12.1. A Novice crew who has won at another regatta and gained promotion to Junior status after the draw has been made shall be automatically entitled to race in the junior event without payment of a further fee and regatta committees should make provision in the draw for such entries whenever possible.
- 12.2. Any crew subject to rule 10.1. should be notified to regatta control as stipulated under Regatta rule 9.1.
- 12.3. Any new novice crew picked by a club to replace the crew who have become juniors shall be treated as a late entry.

#### 13.0 REJECTION OF ENTRIES.

- 13.1. Regatta committees may reject any entry not detailing the surname and initial of each individual entrant and shall do so if one club enters two crews for the same event without names or if the names are not provided 3 clear days before the event.
- 13.2. The regatta committee shall investigate any questionable entry irrespective of any objection being received and may reject any entry which they do not hold to be in accordance with these rules.
- 13.3. Regatta committees may refuse entries received after the closing date.

#### 14.0 THE DRAW FOR ENTRIES TO REGATTAS.

- 14.1. Regatta committees shall give adequate notice to all affiliated clubs of the time and place of the draw which shall take place at least three clear days before the event.
- 14.2. The regatta committee shall not divulge the names of entrants until such entries have closed but shall do so on request by an affiliated club after the closing date.
- 14.3. The draw shall take place once entries have closed, and representatives of clubs entered shall be permitted to be present at the draw.

- 14.4 Crews will normally be drawn with No 1 position counting from nearest to the starter. Exceptions to this rule shall be approved individually by the Association.
- 14.5. Where an event is rowed in heats it shall be permissible for a regatta committee to cede to ensure fair and equal racing.
- 14.6. Where more than one event is taking place within a race then the lane draw should be grouped to make it easier for officials and competitors alike.

#### 15.0 REGATTA PROGRAMMES AND PUBLISHING OF ENTRIES TO A REGATTA.

- 15.1. The regatta committee shall publish an official regatta programme which shall contain the following details:
  - The names and details of individual crews entered by each club.
  - The scheduled start time of the regatta and the anticipated start time of each race.
  - The details of all competing clubs registered colours and designs.
  - The names and details of all officials officiating at the regatta.
  - The race programme and details of the event draws and the number of crews qualifying from each round to the next.
- 15.2. Regatta committees shall state on their bills, programmes, notices and advertisements the time of the first race and that the races are held under the rules of the Association.
- 15.3. Copies of the programme shall be distributed to the following people at least 7 days before the event. Distribution may be by email.
  - The Hon. Secretary of the Association.
  - Each official and assistant official officiating at the event.
  - Each competing clubs Secretary.
  - The person so nominated to receive a copy of the programme by each competing club on their regatta entry form.
- 15.4. A printed copy of the programme or details of the races shall be available at regatta control for all those listed in rule 13.3.
- 15.5. A printed copy of the programme will be exhibited at the event regatta control.

# 16.0. NUMBER OF CREWS ELIGIBLE FOR QUALIFICATION TO LATER EVENT ROUNDS.

16.1. If the number of entries for an event at an event that has more than two crews racing in a round require qualifying races and if for any reason the number of crews left in a qualifying race be equal to or less than the number of crews qualifying for subsequent rounds of the event as published in the regatta programme such that all crews in the race will qualify, and

if the race cannot be scratched with the drawn crews being incorporated into other heats or subsequent rounds of the event, then the number of crews qualifying for subsequent rounds from that race shall be adjusted so that one crew in the race will not qualify.

#### 17.0. REGATTA PROVISIONAL DATES AND CANCELLATION CONTACT DETAILS.

- 17.1. Recommendation Events prone to postponement should agree a provisional date for postponement with the Association in advance and a decision should be made where possible sufficiently early to save clubs wasting a journey.
- 17.2. Regatta committees shall advise all competing clubs the telephone numbers of responsible officials available at stated times on the morning of the event to advise clubs on weather conditions and the advisability of proceeding to the event.

#### 18.0. SUBSTITUTIONS TO CREWS.

- 18.1. Once the regatta has started, any proposed substitutions to a crew must be notified to regatta control with reasons before the crew goes afloat for the race in which they are entered.
- 18.2. Not more than half the crew may be substituted, and no substitution is permitted in a single sculling race.
- 18.3. No substitutions can be made to a crew in any event which has qualified to race in subsequent rounds from a previous round.

#### 19.0. LATE ENTRIES.

- 19.1. Recommendation Late entries after the draw has taken place should always be added on the outside of the draw and should not be accepted if this would overcrowd the draw. However, when a crew's start number exceeds the number of buoys at the turn crews should be re-numbered (not redrawn).
- 19.2. Recommendation Late entries should not be accepted if they disrupt the published programme i.e., if they force a re-draw or additional heats in any event.
- 19.3. The first late entry from a Club in an event should be accepted on a first come first serve basis but second late entries from the same club in the same event should only be accepted when all other Clubs have had the opportunity to make their late entries.

#### 20.0. COMPOSITE NOVICE CREWS.

- 20.1. Composite Novice crews will be allowed under the following rules -
- (a) This will be controlled by the controller of the regatta
- (b) The controller will take the names of all novices (both men and women) that wish to race in composite crews on that day. The captains will provide them at check in. The controller will then draw the names for crews on a random basis.
- (c) The regatta should allow provision for 'Comp' 1, 2 etc in the program to prevent any disruption to the program.

- (d) The rowers should all compete in their own club colours.
- (e) If a composite crew should win then there will not be a H&D championship point awarded for that race however the members of the crew will be deemed to have won a qualifying race at novice i.e. will have to race at Junior status at next regatta (unless Novice status rule is 'two wins and up').
- (f) The composite crew would be awarded prizes.

#### 21.0. OBJECTIONS TO QUALIFICATIONS OF COMPETITORS.

- 21.1. Any objections to the qualifications of a competitor or crew shall be made to the Regatta secretary in writing immediately a query arises and in any case before the prize distribution and the regatta committee may then withhold prizes until the outcome of any investigation is announced.
- 21.2. After the prize giving any objection must be sent to the secretary of the Association in writing and the association shall have no power to disturb the prizes so distributed but may withhold points or take other appropriate disciplinary action.

#### 22.0. CLUB BRIEFINGS AT REGATTAS.

- 22.1. At every H & D ARA Championship Regatta there shall be a Club Briefing, of all prerace information prior to the start of the Regatta.
- 22.2. Failure to attend will automatically disqualify a Club from competing in the regatta until they have received the briefing. However, an individual club briefing can be given allowing that Club to compete in the Regatta, but this will incur a penalty of £25 paid to the Association.

Recommendation: All coxswains intending to compete at the regatta are advised to attend the Club Briefing (in addition to their Club representative if under 18 years old on the day of the regatta).

- 22.3. A register of Clubs represented at the meeting will be maintained by the Regatta organizers and this must be forwarded to the Association Secretary with the Regatta Results. Club Race Officials can represent their Clubs at briefings provided they then brief their clubs and Clubs can, in special circumstances, be represented by a nominated member of another Club, as long as the Club in question notifies the Regatta of the nominee prior to the start of the meeting and the nominee then briefs the Club in question.
- 22.4. The penalty imposed is subject to appeal, in writing and on payment of the penalty, to the Associations Executive Officers whose decision will be final.

#### 23.0. FINES FOR LATE SCRATCHINGS.

23.1. Any scratching made after the first race of the Regatta has come under starters orders will have a £5 per seat Association fine imposed on the Crew. The Club will be advised in writing of the fine within one month of the end of the Regatta Season and will have a further month to appeal, in writing to the Association. Appeals will be considered by the Associations Executive Officers (at least three from President, Chairman, Treasurer and

Secretary) if the fine has been received by the Association and the Club will be advised of the result in writing. The decision of the Association Officers will be final.

<u>Note to rule</u>: A crew will not be penalised if withdrawn from a race after the start because of concern for their safety due to the prevailing weather or sea conditions and the experience and/or competence of the crew.

## 24.0. REGATTA DRAW IN THE EVENT OF POSTPONEMENT.

24.1. In the event of a Regatta being postponed the programme will remain as originally drawn unless the consent of the Association is obtained to a re-draw and in the event of the regatta not being completed the results of completed races shall stand but any races where the final has not been rowed shall be declared void and the regatta committee may arrange to complete the remainder of the programme on a postponement date over the same course but any proposal to row the same over a different course must be with the approval of the Association.

#### 25.0. REGATTA OFFICIALS.

- 25.1. Umpires, Starters and Judges for championship events must be licensed by the Association. Regatta committees shall apply to the Association for the names and addresses of such officials.
- 25.2. Recommendation Where possible at least two starters, judges and umpires should be appointed to serve together and if the umpires cannot supervise the entire course each section should be covered by two umpires.
- 25.3. The regatta committee shall ensure that the umpires shall have suitable boats to keep them in contact with the competitors throughout the race; if this is impossible for any reason regatta committees must appoint sufficient umpires either afloat or ashore to cover all sections of the course and such umpires will be responsible for decisions in the section of the course allotted to them. Where possible two umpires shall be appointed to each section.
- 25.4. Recommendation Regatta committees are urged to invite assistant racing officials to assist the starters, umpires and judges and to train them to become fully licensed officials.

## 26.0. REGATTA RECOMMENDATIONS.

26.1. In addition to the Rules the Association may from time to time make recommendations for the guidance of regatta committees which although not absolutely binding such committees shall be expected to use their best endeavours to adopt and failure to do so without reasonable explanation may be taken into account in deciding whether points shall be awarded to a regatta. Recommendations can similarly be made to clubs and failure to comply without reasonable explanation can be referred to the Association in general meeting as a breach of discipline.

## 27.0. CREW OR INDIVIDUAL DECLINING SOUTH COAST SELECTION.

27.1. Any crew, or individual, selected and invited to represent the Association in a Championship event at a South Coast Championship Regatta who declines the invitation will not be allowed to enter any of the Open or invitation events at that Regatta.

#### 28.0. ADDITIONAL BYE-LAWS AT REGATTAS.

28.1. Regatta Committees, with the consent of the Association may publish additional rules and byelaws providing they do not conflict with those of the Association, which shall prevail unless agreed by the Association.

#### 29.0. REGATTA COMMUNICATIONS

- 29.1. Adequate walkie/talkie equipment should be provided to communicate between the starters, judges. each umpiring position, regatta control and Safety Boats. The starter should have amplifier equipment to cover the whole starting line and the umpires boats should be provided with hand loudhailers for communicating to the crews.
- 29.2. Recommendation Public address equipment ashore should cover the entire boat park area.

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# HANTS AND DORSET ARA RULES FOR BOAT RACING.

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#### Introduction.

This revised document lays down Hants and Dorset ARA Rules for Boat Racing. It concentrates on those activities undertaken on the day of an event or event and should be read in conjunction with Hants and Dorset ARA Regatta Rules.

#### Title.

These Rules are established by the Hants and Dorset Amateur Rowing Association (Hants and Dorset ARA or The Association) and shall be known as the Hants and Dorset ARA Rules of Boat Racing.

## Purpose.

The purpose of these Rules is to provide a basis for safe, fair and equal racing whilst adhering to the requirements of British Rowing's Row Safe Document and British Rowing's Safeguarding and Protecting Children Policy.

#### Interpretation.

Wherever possible these rules should be interpreted consistently with each other. In general provisions regarding safety shall take precedence over any other provision. Wherever the context so admits in these rules, all wording denoting the masculine gender shall be deemed to include the feminine.

#### Scope

These Rules shall be observed by all events, clubs and competitors taking part in any event affiliated to the Association.

#### Situations not covered.

In situations not covered by these rules key race officials are empowered to make decisions and give such instructions as necessary to carry out their responsibilities to affect the purpose as described above. Such situations shall be reported to the Association Executive or Umpires Committee on the event debrief or individual official's report within five days.

## Part A. RULES FOR BOAT RACING

#### 1.0 THE COURSE.

- 1.1. The length of all regatta courses, proposed regatta courses or proposed amendments to regatta courses shall have been considered by the H&D Executive Committee and put forward to the H&D Council meeting for agreement prior to being awarded an H&D event permit or by the H&D Executive Committee or an Emergency Committee on the day.
- 1.2. The Event committee shall publish full particulars of the course in their programme, and it is a recommendation to them wherever possible that not more than 8 crews race abreast.
- 1.3. Any objection or protest against the fairness of the course shall be made before the race is started and shall be dealt with by the Event Committee.

#### 2.0. THE START LINE.

- 2.1. The starting line should be marked by two posts ashore clearly visible to the crews.
- 2.2. If the posts are to be used by the Starters as the sighters for the start line, they must be placed so that the Starters can easily align both posts.

## Recommendations for the start line marker posts for the crews.

- 2.2. The posts are to be a minimum of 5cm thickness/diameter and to be topped with two solid triangles with edges a minimum of 35cm in length.
- 2.3. The height of the posts should be such that the triangle on the seaward post must be lower than the triangle on the landward post and the height of the landward post should be such that its triangle is higher than the seaward post triangle so that both triangles can be seen as separate triangles by crews on the start line.
- 2.3. The seaward triangle should be affixed with its apex pointing upwards and the landward triangle should be fixed so that its apex points downwards so that when viewed from the water the two can be aligned.
- 2.4. The triangles are to be painted fluorescent orange in colour.
- 2.5. The posts should be painted or marked in a manner that makes them distinct from any background.
- 2.6. These start line marker posts may be in addition to any sight markers provided for the Starters to indicate the start line but if the Starters are using the same posts, then the height of the posts and triangles should be such that the triangles do not obscure the Starters view of the start line.

#### 3.0 WARMING UP AND COOLING DOWN.

3.1. Warming up and cooling down on the racing course is not permitted except up to 30 minutes prior to the scheduled start of the event.

# 4.0. REQUEST FOR BOAT, COXSWAIN OR CREW PERSONNEL CHANGE BETWEEN CONSECUTIVE RACES.

- 4.1. A Club wishing to make a boat, coxswain or personnel change between consecutive races shall make a request to Regatta Control who shall relay the request to the Starters for permission.
- 4.2. The Starters may not grant the request if they feel it will be detrimental to the running of the Regatta, other competing Clubs and crews or the health and safety of other crews.
- 4.3. If the Starters give permission for a request made under Rule 3.1. then the Club making the request shall have 5 minutes from the end of the previous race to be afloat and under Starters orders for their race.
- 4.4. (Recommendation) Clubs should organise themselves so that requests to the Starters under Rule 3.1. are kept to an absolute minimum.

#### 5.0 PROCEEDING TO THE START.

5.1. Crews proceeding to the start shall keep clear of the racing course and give way to racing crews which may have deviated from their racing lanes.

#### 6.0 THE START.

- 6.1. Each crew is responsible for being at the start and ready to race at the scheduled time of the race or as directed by any boat marshal or race official.
- 6.2. Each boat must race in the position they are drawn. Any boat taking up a position other than as advertised in the programme or direction by the starter or umpire shall be liable to be disgualified.
- 6.3 The starter shall announce the race and *may* call over competing crews and lane numbers where clarification is needed.
- 6.4. The starter shall raise a red flag to notify crews to come under starters orders and any boat not at the start at the signal being given shall be liable to be disqualified or the race started in its absence.
- 6.5. When the starter is ready, he shall lower the red flag and replace it by raising a yellow flag measuring at least 2' x 2' and the race shall be started by the dropping of the yellow flag which may be accompanied by a verbal "Go" the "Go" to coincide with the dropping of the flag which is the overriding signal.
- 6.6. Any boat failing to obey an instruction to get back behind the starting line from the starter or umpire or starting over the line or starting to row before the dropping of the yellow flag shall be liable to disqualification.
- 6.7. The starter shall have control of the start with the power to disqualify and if he considers the start false he shall at once recall the boats to their stations and any boat refusing to start again shall be liable to disqualification.

- 6.8. Once the race has started to the satisfaction of the starter the control of the race shall pass to the umpire or umpires.
- 6.9. If after the yellow flag has been raised the line shall become unsatisfactory or an obstruction shall appear on the course the red flag will be re-hoisted and the yellow lowered to indicate that the start is delayed, and crews must obey any instructions given by the starter or umpire or may be liable to disqualification.
- 6.10. The raising of an arm by a crew member or coxswain on the start is an indication to the starter that the crew considers it is not ready to start for some reason but the decision when to start rests entirely with the starter.

#### 7.0 RACING COURSE.

- 7.1. Each boat shall keep its' own water throughout the race. A boats own water is its due 6 ourse parallel with the course of other competing boats from its station at the start to the finish to enable it to reach the finish line in the shortest possible time but, providing it allows at least one length of clear water, may cross the path of another competitor to enable it to reach the winning post in the shortest possible time but any boat failing to keep its own water does so at its own risk in the event of a foul or interference occurring.
- 7.2. It shall be considered a foul when after a race has started any competitor by his oar, boat, scull or person comes into contact with the oar, boat, scull or person of another competitor unless in the opinion of the Umpire it does not influence the result of a race.
- 7.3. The Umpire may caution any competitors when he considers there is a possibility of a foul occurring and may give warnings of any obstructions on the course, but the Umpire shall not otherwise during the race direct the course of a competitor.
- 7.4. The umpire shall have power to disqualify a boat committing a foul or otherwise deliberately interfering with the proper course of other competitors and he shall be the sole judge of a boat's proper course during the race.
- 7.5. Every boat shall abide by its accidents but if during a race a boat shall be fouled or interfered with or the course otherwise obstructed, the umpire shall have the power to:
- (a) disqualify the offending crew and allow the race to continue.
- (b) stop the race and order the crews other than any he disqualifies to return to the start to re-row at a time determined by the event committee.
- (c) If he is unable to reach an immediate decision allow the race to continue and consider any representations made to him at its end when he may exercise his power to disqualify and order a re-row, but he should always reach his decision as quickly as possible and avoid deferring his decision where possible.
- (d) award any crew judged to have been impeded a place in the following round of the event subject to there being a suitable vacancy.

## **8.0 TURNING BUOYS.**

- 8.1. All buoys or marks shall be turned on the starboard side and shall be of a type approved by the Executive Committee.
- 8.2. They shall be set evenly spaced not less than 60ft. apart and it is the responsibility of the event committee to ensure that they remain in a proper line throughout the event and that sufficient buoys are provided to provide one buoy for each crew in each race.
- 8.3. If the umpire is not satisfied with the position of the buoys, he shall have power to suspend racing until they have been rectified, or before the start or in the case of a row off or re-row he can direct crews which individual buoys they must take, any crew disobeying his instructions shall be liable to disqualification.
- 8.4. Umpires may disqualify without protest any boat turning a wrong buoy or otherwise infringing the Rules and a turn means that the whole boat should be seen to have turned round the turning buoy.

#### 9.0 COMPLETING THE COURSE.

- 9.1. The whole course must be completed by a competitor before they can be held to have won a heat or final unless prevented by damage resulting from a foul when the umpire shall have discretion to deem them to have completed the course.
- 9.2. Boats shall have completed the course when the bow reaches the finishing line.
- 9.3. Crews may also be deemed to have completed the course during heats, at the discretion of the officials, if the format of the race is such that all crews competing will qualify for the final.
- 9.4. If a competitor other than a coxswain falls out of a boat the crew may still be placed but if the coxswain leaves the boat the crew shall be deemed not to have completed the course.

#### 10.0 DEAD HEATS.

- 10.1. A dead heat for first place in a final shall be decided by a re-row between the dead heat crews on the same day over the same course at a time to be laid down by the event committee and any competitor or crew refusing to re-row shall be adjudged to have lost the re-row.
- 10.2. Providing the event committee and the dead heat crews agree, the row-off can be deferred to take place on another date over a different course, but again any competitor or crew refusing or failing to re-row shall be adjudged to have lost the race.
- 10.3. If the dead heat crews fail to agree on the re-row date or course the re-row must take place on the same day over the same course, and if both crews decline to re-row the prize shall be shared but the point shall be forfeited.

## 11.0 NON-APPEARANCE IN FINALS.

11.1. Crews reaching the final of an event and then failing to appear without adequate explanation may be disqualified from the following Event.

#### 12.0 COACHING or EXTRANEOUS ASSISTANCE DURING A RACE.

11.1. During the race crews must not be paced by other boats or receive any outside instructions other than by the umpire under rule 5.3 and any crew receiving any extraneous assistance may be disqualified. Extraneous assistance shall include help given to the crew once the race has started to empty out or re-launch their boat or replace equipment other than handing over spares or tools to carry out any repairs.

#### 13.0 RACE OFFICIALS

- 13.1. It is the primary duty of every race official to care for the safety of competitors, officials, other water users and the public at large.
- 13.2. Subject to the paragraph above Umpires shall use their best endeavours to ensure that all crews have a fair and equal opportunity of winning.

#### 14.0 UMPIRES.

- 14.1. The jurisdiction of the umpire shall extend over the whole race from start to finish and his decision shall not be overruled but he may reconsider his decision following representations being made but once he has announced his decision on such representations it is absolutely final and without further appeal.
- 14.2. He may if he thinks proper reserve his decision providing in every case such decision is given as quickly as possible and before the presentation of prizes on event day, and no decision can be challenged after prize giving.
- 14.3. If the umpire has disqualified a crew or is otherwise dissatisfied with the proper conduct of a race he shall hoist a red flag at the end of the race in which case the judges shall make no announcement of the result until the decision of the umpires has been notified to them. An umpire will only hoist a red flag during the race if he wishes to stop the race.

## 15.0 JUDGES.

15.1. The judges shall decide the order the boats cross the finishing line, and such decision shall be final and without appeal but they may reserve or reconsider their opinion in the same manner as umpires.

#### 16.0 DISQUALIFIED CREWS.

16.1. Any Crew disqualified by the starter or umpire shall immediately leave the course and deliberate failure to do so shall be a disciplinary offence reportable to the Association.

## 17.0 PROTESTS.

17.1. A crew wishing to protest regarding an incident during the course of the race shall notify the umpire immediately at the conclusion of the race before going ashore or if this is not possible the stroke accompanied by the club captain or other senior official of the club concerned shall immediately notify the judge who shall communicate the same to the umpire for his decision.

- 17.2. Any protest made by a race competitor and accompanied by abusive language or other improper conduct will be rejected without consideration, the names of individuals and crews responsible will be reported to the H & D Executive Officers who will automatically impose a fine of £10 on the Club they represent without appeal. The Executive committee shall also have the power to exclude crews from racing in future Events.
- 17.3. Any other protest shall be considered by the judges who may refer it to the umpires and/or event committee or emergency committee as appropriate who may make decisions but only subject to Rules 7 and 8 that the decisions of the umpires and judges are final and cannot be overruled.
- 17.4. Any dispute not satisfactorily resolved may be referred to a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Association who cannot interfere with the result of the race yet who may with hold Championship points.

#### 18.0 DISCIPLINARY MEASURES.

- 17.1. The Executive Committee shall automatically impose a fine of £10 on a Club if it is reported to the Executive Officers that a registered member of that Club, or a known supporter of that Club has:
- (a) Continued to use abusive language or threatening behaviour whilst addressing a racing official carrying out his/her official duties at a Event after being warned that his/her conduct is unacceptable.
- (b) Physically or verbally abused or threatened another competitor, event helper or member of the public.
- (c) Conducted themselves in a way considered to be unsportsmanlike or bringing the good name of our sport into disrepute.

## 19.0 COXSWAINS.

- 19.1. Coxswains must wear lifejackets of approved type (current BS standard) and the manual inflation toggle if fitted must be visible during the course of a race.
- 19.2. Coxswains must be able to swim, and clubs shall be responsible for ensuring that they can perform their duties adequately and with safety.
- 19.3. Coxswains must be members of a Hants & Dorset Club.

#### 20.0 LENGTH OF BOATS.

20.1. Boats competing in races in which championship points are awarded shall be restricted to 30ft. for fours and 22ft. 6ins.for pairs and sculls excluding any rudder.

## 21.0 BOAT NUMBERING.

- 21.1. Numbers not less than 6ins. in size on a 7in. x 7in. background shall be worn on the bows of all competing boats. The numbers to be fluorescent Yellow on a black background.
- 21.2. Any crew starting without identification numbers shall be disqualified.

#### 22.0 NOTIFICATION OF WINNING CREWS.

22.1. Event secretaries shall forward to the Association a full list of racing results of all open events and a marked copy of the programme incorporating any name and other changes shall be sufficient for this purpose. The names of the winning crew plus the name of the Clubs who finish in the first three places in each event are required. For sculling events the names of the first three scullers to finish plus their clubs are required.

#### 23.0. BOAT AND EQUIPMENT CHECK.

- 23.1. It is the responsibility of crews to ensure that their boats are safe and prepared to the standards required by the British Rowing Guide to Safe Practice in Rowing and are suitable for the crew and conditions in which they are to be used. Particular attention should be paid to:
- bow-balls, if applicable
- heel restraints which must be secured separately so that the lowest point of the heel must not rise above the lowest fixed point of the shoe. Likewise, the foot release from any other type of fitment the heel must release without intervention from the athlete or rescuer.
- condition and general maintenance of the boat and integrity of buoyancy compartments.
- condition and efficiency of self bailers, where fitted.
- all boats to comply with British Rowing Rules for Racing requirements for boat identification.
- Life Jackets see Coxswains Rule 18.1.

## 24.0. DRESS

- 24.1. Competitors must race in their registered colours with oars painted accordingly.
- 24.2. Crews representing a single club shall wear uniform racing strip. This rule shall apply to the outermost garment worn above the waist. Members of the crew may wear garments under their racing vests provided they are WHITE, and the garment may have a stripe or stripes of any colour on the sleeve but the garment must not reduce the ability of the Racing Officials to determine the Club involved."
- 24.3. In composite crews each competitor shall wear the racing strip of the club they represent.

## Part B. ADDITIONAL RULES FOR PROCESSIONAL RACES.

This section shall apply to all events that are conducted as processional races against the clock (head races)

## 1.0 SUITABLE COURSES

1.1. Processional races shall only be conducted on courses that are wide enough for participating crews to navigate safely, for an overtaking crew to pass another crew safely over the majority of the course and for other water users and nonparticipating crews to travel the length of the course without impeding crews involved in the race.

- 1.2. The starting area shall have ample room above the start line and be clear of locks and weirs, so that all crews in an event or division to an event can be marshalled safely and turn without interfering with the start or other water users.
- 1.3. The area below the finish line shall have ample room and be clear from all locks and weirs to allow crews that have finished to clear the finish area without interfering with the course or other water users.
- 1.4. The Safety Advisor shall ensure that the event has the capability of recognising when and where accidents have happened and of recovering distressed competitors quickly and providing timely medical attention.

#### 2.0 COURSE MARKINGS.

- 2.1. Hazardous areas such as shallows, underwater obstructions, narrows, side channels, weirs and areas where other water traffic crosses the course shall be conspicuously marked and identified in the competitor's instructions.
- 2.2. The start shall be conspicuously marked and, if necessary, buoys set to assist with turning and to guide crews to the start.
- 2.3. The finish line shall be conspicuously marked.

#### 3.0 OFFICIALS.

- 3.1. Officials shall be appointed as for other Hants and Dorset events and shall include the following: Chief Marshal, Starter, Start Marshal, Chief Timekeeper, Chief Umpire, Race Monitors
- 3.2. Bearing in mind the need as in 1.4 to monitor the course for accidents prior to, during and after the race the appointment of race monitors is particularly important. Between them they should be able to cover the entirety of the course and should provide warning/cover for bends, narrow passages and known hazards. If local rules require a particular course to be taken for safety reasons, this should be monitored. Race monitors should:
- Note any violations to the rules and report them to the Chief Umpire for appropriate penalties.
- Warn/give instructions to crews to avoid incidents and accidents.
- Stop a crew if necessary for safety reasons.
- be equipped with megaphone, radio etc to pass on warnings and summon rescue, first aid, etc.

## 4.0 QUALIFICATION OF OFFICIALS.

4.1. The Chief Umpire shall be a Hants and Dorset Umpire.

#### 5.0 SAFETY BOATS.

5.1. The Safety Advisor and Chief Umpire shall agree the number and location of Safety Boats for each event and the Safety Advisor shall ensure their availability for the duration of

the event, which may include returning to clubs along the racecourse after completion of a race or division of a race.

## 6.0 THE START (HEAD RACES).

- 6.1. Each crew shall be allocated a number, which shall be prominently displayed throughout the race as instructed by the Race Rules. In coxed boats the number shall also be worn on the back of the coxswain.
- 6.2. Bearing in mind that most head races take place in autumn or spring months local rules should be in place to minimise the time competitors have to wait at the start prior to racing (see local rules below)
- 6.3. The Start Marshal shall present crews, in number order, in procession, starting each crew with the words 'number XYX, Go' allowing for a 10 second gap between each crew. Crews will then proceed to the Timing Line bringing their boats to race pace as they cross the Timing Line.
- 6.4. The Chief Timekeeper shall call out the race number of each crew as it approached the Timing Line and will call out 'NOW' as the crew crosses the Timing Line. Their start time will simultaneously be recorded by the Timekeepers.
- 6.5. The Timekeeper shall record the time at which each crew passes the start line and note any crews missing from the starting order.
- 6.6. Should crews present themselves to the start out of order the starter may take them in the order in which they come.

#### 7.0 THE FINISH.

- 7.1 The Timekeeper shall record the time of finish as each crew passes the finish line and note any missing crews from the finishing order.
- 7.2. The start and finish timekeepers should as a minimum, reconcile starters and finishers at the end of each section or division of the race and communicate with Race Monitors to identify and investigate any missing crews.
- 7.3. Race Marshals shall be posted at the finish to prevent accidents within the finish area either between crews or contact with hazards such as bridges or piers.

#### 8.0 LOCAL EVENT RULES.

- 8.1. The Chairman of the Race Committee in conjunction with the Safety Advisor, Chief Umpire and Chief Marshal shall prepare and publish a set of local event rules to supplement the Rules of Racing in the light of experience with the course, the volume and competence of competitors. Local rules may include:
- requirements for boating by a due time, penalties for not boating on time and lateness of arrival at the start.
- spot checks on safety aspects of equipment prior to boating.
- on what parts of the course, for safety reasons, must a prescribed line be taken and parts of the course, if any, where overtaking is banned.

- any rule required on which side overtaking shall take place and how crews being overtaken should give way.
- determination of penalties for breach of local rules.

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## HANTS AND DORSET ARA STATUS RULES

## Status of Classification of Sweep Oarsman.

- 1.0. Novice Status.
- 2.0. Junior Status.
- 3.0. Junior Senior Status.
- 4.0. Senior Status.

## Status of Classification of Sweep Oarswoman.

- 5.0. Novice Status.
- 6.0. Junior Status.
- 7.0. Senior Status.

#### Status of Classification of Masters.

- 8.0. Masters 40 Status.
- 9.0. Masters 50 Status.

#### Status of Classification of Scullers.

- 10.0. Novice Sculler Status.
- 11.0. Junior Sculler Status.
- 12.0. Senior Sculler Status.

## Status of Classification of J16 Oarsman/Woman.

13.0. J16 Oarsman/Oarswoman.

#### General Status Rules.

- 14.0. Wins at Higher Status.
- 15.0. Reinstatement to Lower Status.
- 16.0. No Change to Status.
- 17.0. Change of Status when no Championship Point is Awarded.
- 18.0. Effective Start of Status.
- 19.0. Status of Coxswains.
- 20.0. Effect of Sweep Status and Sculling Status.
- 21.0. Status Rules on Non-H&D ARA Competitors.

#### STATUS OF CLASSIFICATION OF SWEEP OARSMAN.

#### 1.0. NOVICE STATUS.

1.1. The Association will decide annually at its AGM if a single Novice win or two wins will be required before promotion to Junior status.

#### 1.2. Novice Oarsman. Single win before promotion to Junior status.

- 1.2.1. A Novice Oarsman is one who has been H&D registered but has never won a Championship point in an open race with oars at a Regatta. Immediately a Novice Oarsman wins a Championship point he becomes a Junior Oarsman.
- 1.2.2. He is eligible to compete in races at Novice, Junior, Junior Senior or Senior status and a qualifying win (see rule 16.0.) at any of these will count as win at Novice status for him.

## 1.3. Novice Oarsman. Two wins before promotion to Junior status.

- 1.3.1. A Novice oarsman is one who has been H&D registered but has never won or only won one Championship point in an open race with oars at a Regatta.
- 1.3.2. Single Championship points wins will be wiped clean at the end of the season, subject to no oarsman having a Championship point wiped clear twice (Note. This applies to sweep oar events only and not to Sculls where any win is carried over to the new season).
- 1.3.3. Immediately he wins two Championship points at Novice status (see rule 1.3.4.) he becomes a Junior oarsman.
- 1.3.4. He is eligible to compete in races at Novice, Junior, Junior Senior or Senior status and a single qualifying win (see rule 16.0.) at any of these will count as win at Novice status for him.

#### 2.0. JUNIOR STATUS

- 2.1. Junior Oarsman. A Junior oarsman is one who has been H&D registered but has won a Championship point or points at Novice status or above (as specified under Rule 1.2. or 1.3.) at an open regatta and promotion to Junior status.
- 2.2. Immediately he wins two Championship points at Junior status (see rule 2.3.) he becomes a Junior Senior oarsman, but he may continue to row in Junior racing for the rest of the season in which he has won his second Championship point.
- 2.3. He is eligible to compete in races at Junior, Junior Senior or Senior status and a single qualifying win (see rule 16.0.) at any of these will count as win at Junior status for him.

#### 3.0. JUNIOR SENIOR STATUS.

3.1. Junior Senior Oarsman. A Junior Senior oarsman is one who has been H&D registered but has won Championship points at Junior status or above at an open regatta and promotion to Junior Senior status.

- 3.2. Immediately he wins two Championship points at Junior Senior status (see rule 3.3.) he becomes a Senior oarsman, but he may continue to row in Junior Senior racing for the rest of the season in which he has won his second Championship point.
- 3.3. He is eligible to compete in races at Junior Senior or Senior status and a single qualifying win (see rule 16.0.) at any of these will count as win at Junior Senior status for him.

#### 4.0. SENIOR STATUS.

4.1. Senior Oarsman. A Senior Oarsman is one who has won two Championship points at Junior Senior status or above at an open regatta and promotion to Senior status.

#### STATUS OF CLASSIFICATION OF SWEEP OARSWOMAN.

#### **5.0. NOVICE STATUS.**

- 5.1. The Association will decide annually at its AGM if a single Novice win or two wins will be required before promotion to Junior status.
- 5.2. Novice Oarswoman. Single win before promotion to Junior status.
- 5.2.1. A Novice oarswoman is one who has been H&D registered but has never won a Championship point in an open race with oars at a Regatta. Immediately a Novice oarswoman wins a Championship point she becomes a Junior oarswoman.
- 5.2.2. She is eligible to compete in races at Novice, Junior or Senior status and a single qualifying win (see rule 16.0.) at any of these will count as win at Novice status for her.
- 5.3. Novice Oarswoman. Two wins before promotion to Junior status.
- 5.3.1.A Novice oarswoman is one who has been H&D registered but has never won or only won one Championship, point in an open race with oars at a Regatta.
- 5.3.2. Single Championship points will be wiped clean at the end of the season, subject to no oarswomen having a Championship point wiped clear twice (Note. This applies to sweep oar events only and not to Sculls where any win is carried over to the new season).
- 5.3.3. Immediately she wins two Championship points at Novice status (see rule 5.3.4.) she becomes a Junior parswoman.
- 5.3.4. She is eligible to compete in races at Novice, Junior or Senior status and a qualifying win (see rule 16.0.) at any of these will count as win at Novice status for her.

## 6.0. JUNIOR STATUS.

- 6.1. Junior Oarswoman. A Junior oarswoman is one who has been H&D registered but has won a Championship point or points at Novice status or above (as specified under Rule 5.2. and 5.3.) at an open regatta and promotion to Junior status.
- 6.2. Immediately she wins two Championship points at Junior status (see rule 6.3.) she becomes a Senior oarswoman but may continue to row in Junior racing for the rest of the season in which she has won her second Championship point.

6.3. She is eligible to compete in races at Junior or Senior status and a single qualifying win (see rule 16.0.) at any of these will count as win at Junior status for her.

#### 7.0. SENIOR STATUS.

7.1. Senior Oarswoman. A Senior oarswoman is one who has won two Championship points at Junior status or above at an open regatta and promotion to Senior status.

## STATUS OF CLASSIFICATION OF MASTERS.

#### 8.0. MASTERS 40 STATUS

- 8.1. Masters 40 Oarsman/Woman. A Masters 40 Oarsman/Woman is one who has been H&D registered and has attained the age of 40 years on the day of the Regatta.
- 8.2. A Masters 40 Oarsman/Woman can be of any H&D status subject to rule 8.1.
- 8.3. He or she is eligible to compete in races at Novice, Junior, Junior Senior (men only) or Senior status and a single qualifying win (see rule 16.0) at any of these will count as a win at his/her current status as defined by H&D status rules.
- 8.4. A Masters 40 crew must have minimum age of 40.
- 8.5. Mixed crews are allowed, and one member of a crew can be from another Club provided they meet the criteria of a Masters 40, but a composite crew cannot be awarded a H & D Championship point the point being awarded to the first full Club crew to finish as long as two full club crews started the race.
- 8.6. If one Masters 40 crew member is from another Club the Crew shall take the name of the Club with most members.
- 8.7. If one crew member is from another Club, he/she must be registered with the H&D ARA for that Club.
- 8.8. If one crew member is from another Club, he/she should wear the racing colours of that Club.

#### 9.0. MASTERS 50 STATUS

- 9.1. Masters 50 Oarsman/Woman. A Masters 50 Oarsman/Woman is one who has attained the age of 50 years on the day of the Regatta.
- 9.2. A Masters 50 crew must have a minimum age of 50.
- 9.3. Mixed crews are allowed, and one member of a crew can be from another Club provided they meet the criteria of Masters 50.
- 9.4. If one Masters 50 crew member is from another Club the Crew shall take the name of the Club with most members.
- 9.5. If one crew member is from another Club, he/she must be registered with the H&D ARA for that Club.

- 9.6. If one crew member is from another Club, he/she should wear the racing colours of that Club.
- 9.7. Masters 50 races are not Championship events

#### STATUS OF CLASSIFICATION OF SCULLERS.

#### 10.0. NOVICE SCULLER STATUS.

- 10.1. A Novice Sculler. A Novice sculler is one who has been H&D registered but has never won or won one sculling Championship point in a sculling race at any open Regatta.
- 10.2. Immediately a Novice Sculler wins a second sculling Championship point (see rule 10.3.) he/she becomes a Junior Sculler.
- 10.3. He/she is eligible to compete in races at Novice, Junior or Senior status and a single qualifying win (see rule 16.0.) at any of these will count as a win at Novice status for him/her.

#### 11.0. JUNIOR SCULLER STATUS.

- 11.1. A Junior Sculler. A Junior sculler is one who has been H&D registered but has won two sculling Championship points at Novice status or above at an open regatta and promotion to Junior status.
- 11.2. Immediately he/she wins two Championship points at junior status (see rule 11.3.) he/she becomes a Senior sculler but may continue to row in Junior sculling races for the rest of the season in which he/she has won their second Championship point.
- 11.3. He/she is eligible to compete in sculling races at Junior or Senior status and a single qualifying win (see rule 16.0.) at any of these will count as a win at Junior status for him/her.

## 12.0. SENIOR SCULLER STATUS.

12.1. A Senior Sculler. A Senior sculler is one who has won two sculling Championship points at Junior status or above at an open regatta and promotion to Senior status.

#### STATUS OF CLASSIFICATION OF J16 OARSMAN/WOMAN.

13.0. J16 Oarsman/women. A J16 Oarsman/Women is a competitor who has not attained sixteen years of age before the first of September preceding the event.

Note: British Rowing J16 age qualification rule states (part relevant to J16 only) – Reference 3-3-2 Juniors.

- c. A J16 is a competitor who had not attained the age sixteen years of age before the first day of September preceding the event.
- 13.1. J16 Crews can be mixed gender and composite crews are allowed.
- 13.2. J16 races are not Championship events.

#### **GENERAL STATUS RULES.**

#### 14.0. WINS AT A HIGHER STATUS.

14.1. Immediately an oarsperson or sculler wins two Championship points (see rule 16.0.) in a higher status to their current status they are immediately promoted to the status in which these points were awarded.

#### 15.0. REINSTATEMENT TO LOWER STATUS.

15.1. Under no circumstances can an oarsman/woman be reinstated to a lower status after he/she has won a race which qualifies him/her for a higher status.

#### 16.0. NO CHANGE TO STATUS.

- 16.1. If no Championship Points are awarded, then there is no change to an Oarsmans/Oarswomans status.
- 16.2. Event wins in Masters 40, Masters 50 and J16 (or under i.e. J15 etc.) races shall not affect an Oarsmans/Oarswomans status.

#### 17.0. CHANGE OF STATUS WHEN NO CHAMPIONSHIP POINT IS AWARDED.

17.1. Should a club not be awarded a championship point under H&D ARA Championship Event rule 9.0. then the win will count as a qualifying win for all crew members at their current status.

## 18.0. EFFECTIVE START OF STATUS.

18.1. An oarsman/woman's status shall be in accordance with the classifications set out above and any qualifying championship point(s) won effecting status shall be applied in status order from 23.59h on the day the qualifying championship point(s) are won.

#### 19.0. STATUS OF COXSWAINS.

19.1. Coxswains. There is no classification.

## 20.0. EFFECT OF SWEEP STATUS AND SCULLING STATUS.

20.1. The sweep status of an oarsman/woman shall not effect his/her status as a sculler or vice versa.

## 21.0. STATUS RULES ON NON-H&D ARA COMPETITIORS.

21.1. The Associations Rules as to status shall apply to competitors from other associations competing in events held under the Rules of the Association.

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# HANTS AND DORSET ARA REGISTRATION AND COMPETITON RULES

- 1.0. Recognition by British Rowing.
- 2.0. Competing at Un-Affiliated Regattas.
- 3.0. Registration of Club Colours.
- 4.0. Competing for More than One Club.
- 5.0. Registration of Oarsman/Woman.
- 6.0. Method of Transfer between Clubs.

#### 1.0. RECOGNITION BY BRITISH ROWING.

1.1. No oarsman/woman shall compete in any rowing event held under the rules of the Association unless he/she is a member of a club affiliated to this or other Association recognised by British Rowing or an equivalent governing body.

## 2.0. COMPETING AT UN-AFFILIATED REGATTAS.

- 2.1. No member of an affiliated club shall compete at any regatta not held under the Rules of this or other Association recognised by British Rowing or FISA.
- 2.2. It is accepted that affiliated clubs may take part in festivals, river pageants, charity rows etc.

#### 3.0. REGISTRATION OF CLUB COLOURS.

3.1. All clubs must register their colours with designs with the Association.

## 4.0. COMPETING FOR MORE THAN ONE CLUB.

- 4.1. No oarsman/woman shall compete for more than one affiliated club in the H&D A.R.A., Coast A.R.A. or West of England A.R.A. in regattas counting for championship points in any one season unless permission is granted under Rule 6.0. below.
- 4.2. Oarsman/woman from one club rowing for another should be immediately disqualified with the rest of the crew.

#### 5.0. REGISTRATION OF OARSMAN/WOMAN.

- 5.1. At least 7 days before the first regatta of the season each affiliated club must register with the Association a list of all oarsman/woman who will be racing for the Club with their status.
- 5.2. Any additional oarsman/woman must be so registered at least 7 days before competing in any event. (Note: Day 1 to count as day registration is received by H&D ARA Registration and Results Secretary).

#### 6.0. METHOD OF TRANSFER BETWEEN CLUBS.

- 6.1. An oarsman/woman wishing to change clubs must notify both clubs in writing and obtain written permission from both clubs before being eligible to row for the second club in the same season.
- 6.2. Any oarsman/woman having been refused permission shall have the right to appeal to the Executive Committee whose decision shall be final and binding on all parties.
- 6.3. All transfers must be registered with the Association under Rule 5.0. Any club or member of a club violating the above rules is liable to suspension for a period determined by the Executive Committee.

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## HANTS AND DORSET ARA CHAMPIONSHIP EVENT RULES.

- 1.0. Hants and Dorset ARA Championship Events.
- 2.0. Championship Medals for Sculling Events.
- 3.0. Championship Medals for Sweep Oar Events.
- 4.0. Awarding of Championship Points.
- 5.0. Sweep Race Qualification for Championship Points.
- 6.0. Sculling Race Qualification for Championship Points.
- 7.0. Awarding of Point in Race Won by Non-Affiliated Club.
- 8.0. Claiming Championship Points.
- 9.0. Withholding of Championship Points.
- 10.0. Awarding of H&D Championship.
- 11.0. Minimum Number of Points for Awarding of Championship.
- 12.0. Settlement of Ties in Championship Points.
- 13.0. Awarding of Championship Medals.
- 14.0. Awarding of Additional Championship Medals.

## 1.0. Hants & Dorset ARA Championship events.

1.1. The following events are H&D ARA Championship events. Mens Coxed Senior Fours Mens Coxed Junior Senior Fours Mens Coxed Junior Fours Mens Coxed Novice Fours Mens Coxed Masters 40 Fours Mens Senior Pairs Mens Junior Pairs Mens Senior Sculls Mens Junior Sculls Mens Novice Sculls **Ladies Coxed Senior Fours Ladies Coxed Junior Fours Ladies Coxed Novice Fours Ladies Coxed Masters 40 Fours Ladies Senior Pairs Ladies Junior Pairs Ladies Senior Sculls Ladies Junior Sculls Ladies Novice Sculls** 

## 2.0. CHAMPIONSHIP MEDALS FOR SCULLING EVENTS.

2.1. Sculling events are individual H&D Championship events except Novice Sculls which is a Club Championships.

#### 3.0. CHAMPIONSHIP MEDALS FOR SWEEP OAR EVENTS.

3.0 Sweep oar events are club H&D Championship events.

#### 4.0. AWARDING OF CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS.

4.1. The Championship point in any Championship event will be awarded to the first crew of an affiliated H&D club to cross the finish line subject to H&D Regatta, Race, Status, Registration and Competition and Event rules. A win shall count as one point.

#### 5.0. SWEEP RACE QUALIFICATION FOR CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS.

5.1. No championship point shall be awarded in a sweep oar championship race unless at least two Clubs are entered for the event at the start of the Regatta.

#### 6.0. SCULLING RACE QUALIFICATION FOR CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS.

6.1. No championship point shall be awarded in a sculling championship race unless two Scullers are entered for the event at the start of the Regatta.

#### 7.0. AWARDING OF POINT IN RACE WON BY NON-AFFILIATED CLUB.

7.1. If a race is won by a Club not affiliated to the H & D ARA then the Championship point shall be awarded to the first affiliated crew home in the final, except in the case of Novice Fours, when no point shall be awarded. If no affiliated crew is in the final no point shall be awarded.

#### 8.0. CLAIMING CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS.

8.1. Within 7 days of each event clubs shall forward to the Association the names of their winning crews in order to claim championship points and failing to do so may result in the loss of such points at the discretion of the Executive Committee.

#### 9.0. WITHHOLDING OF CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS.

9.1. Should any of the names listed as the winning crew on a championship point claim received from any club be found to have not been registered as required under H&D ARA Registration and Competition rules 5.1 and 5.2 then the championship point will not be awarded to them but may be awarded to the next placed crew subject to the same rules.

## 10.0. AWARDING OF THE H&D CHAMPIONSHIP.

10.1 The H&D Championship for any Championship event will be awarded to the club obtaining the greatest number of points in the respective championship races at regattas recognised by the H&D ARA for championship points in one year (subject to these rules).

#### 11.0. MINIMUM NUMBER OF POINTS FOR AWARDING OF CHAMPIONSHIP.

11.1. A H & D Championship will only be awarded if at least three Championship points have been awarded for that Championship event at Regattas during the season.

#### 12.0. SETTLEMENT OF TIES IN CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS.

12.1. In the event of two or more Clubs having the same number of points, the matter shall be decided by a race or races of the Clubs concerned, such race or races to be held as directed by the Association except in the case of Novice Fours where the Championship will be shared between the Clubs with the greatest number of points.

#### 13.0. AWARDING OF CHAMPIONSHIP MEDALS.

13.1. The H&D A.R.A. will award a championship medal to each member of the championship crew so nominated to receive the medal by the championship winning club.

#### 14.0. AWARDING OF ADDITIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP MEDALS.

- 14.1. Additional Championship Medals may be awarded subject to the following conditions being met. f
  - Applicants must have competed as a member of the championship crew and won at least three Championship points in that crew before qualification and not won more Championship points than any other individual nominated by the club under H&D ARA Championship Event rule 13.1. for a medal can be discussed.
  - Clubs must prove qualifying points were needed to secure the championship. Once a Championship is won any additional wins would not count towards qualification for an additional medal to be awarded.
  - Clubs must submit a written request to the association secretary by 31st September following
    the end of the regatta season. The association secretary will investigate to confirm that all
    requirements for the awarding of an additional medal have been met
  - The application will be discussed between the members of the Executive Committee. If agreed the association secretary will notify the club in time for the medal to be awarded at the presentation dinner.

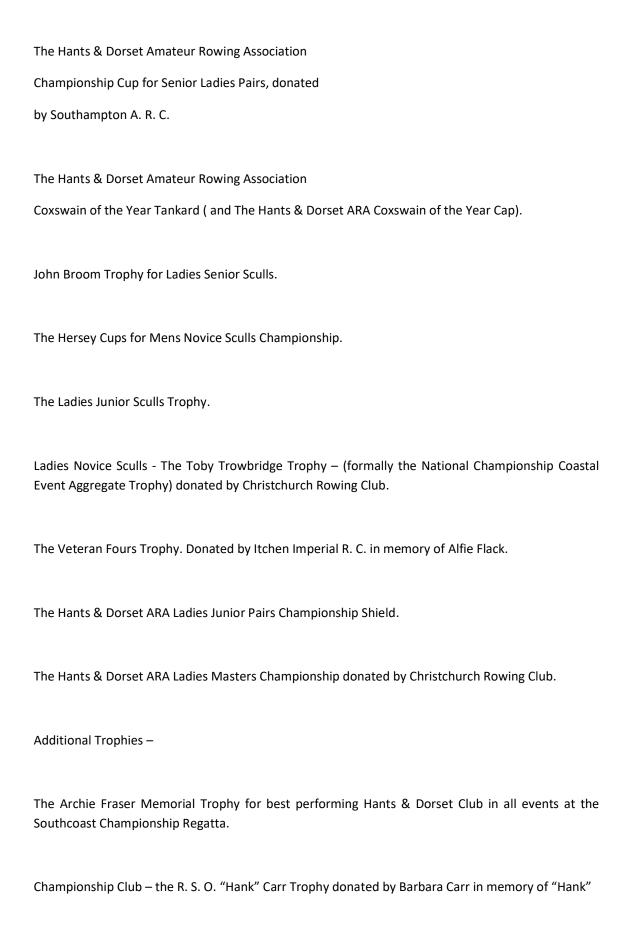
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## **Hants and Dorset Amateur Rowing Association**

## HANTS AND DORSET ARA CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHIES

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1.0. The H&D ARA Championship Trophies.
The Hants & Dorset Amateur Rowing Association Championship Cup for Senior Fours.
The Marie Fraser Cup for Junior Senior Fours.
The Alderman Mouland Cup for Junior Fours.
The Westover Challenge Cup for Novice Fours.
The Southsea R. C. Bowl for Senior Pairs.
The Westover Lord Roberts Shield for Junior Pairs.
The Hants & Dorset Amateur Rowing Association Championship Cup for Senior Ladies Fours.
The P. J. Sherwin Cup for Junior Ladies Fours.
The A. Fraser Cup for Novice Ladies Fours.
The Christchurch Regatta Cup for Senior Sculls.
The Frank Gillingham Cup for Junior Sculls



The Daily Echo Trophy in memory of Arthur Chatfield. Awarded annually to an individual for Service to the Association and Coastal Rowing.

The Mike Green Trophy presented by Christchurch Rowing Club in 2021 in memory of Mike Green to be awarded to the Hants & Dorset ARA Coach of the Year.

#### 2.0. AWARDING OF TROPHIES.

2.1. The Trophies shall be awarded as grand aggregate prizes to be held for one year by the Clubs obtaining the greatest number of points in the respective championship races at regattas recognised by the Hants & Dorset Amateur Rowing Association for Championship points. A win shall count one point.

#### 3.0. AFFILIATION OF REGATTAS.

3.1. The Trophies shall be competed for only at Towns where Regattas exist affiliated to the Association and whose regattas are held under its rules.

#### 4.0. CONDITION OF TROPHIES.

4.1. The Trophies shall be returned in good condition, to the Hon. secretary of the Association at the Autumn Delegates Meeting or on a date decided by the Hon. Secretary.

#### 5.0. OUTRIGHT WINNING OF TROPHIES.

5.1. The Trophies cannot be won outright.

#### 6.0. DISPOSAL OF TROPHIES ON DISBANDMENT OF H&D ARA.

6.1. In the event of the Hants & Dorset A.R.A. ceasing to function, the trophies (other than the Senior Four Cup) shall be returned to the donors or heirs, to be held in trust until such time as the Association shall resume its activities.

#### 7.0. PRESENTATION OF TROPHIES

7.1. The Trophies shall be presented to the winning Clubs as and where decided by the Association.

#### 8.0. INSURING OF TROPHIES.

8.1. The Club winning a trophy shall bear the cost of insuring it for the ensuing year at the last valuation approved by the Association and in the event of any loss or damage shall bear the cost of reinstating or replacing the same including replacing any engraving of past winners.

#### 9.0. ASSOCIATION TROPHIES.

9.1. All Association Championship trophies shall be under the control of the Association who shall govern the conditions subject to any overriding conditions laid down by the donor of the trophy.

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## **Hants and Dorset Amateur Rowing Association**

# HANTS AND DORSET ARA EVENT SAFETY

- 1.0. Safety Advisor.
- 2.0. Event Committee.
- 3.0. Safety.
- 4.0. Suspending Racing.
- 5.0. Violation of Safety Rules.
- 6.0. Safety Information and Circulation Patterns.
- 7.0. Event Public Liability Insurance.
- 8.0. Provision of Safety Boats.
- 9.0. Provision of Medical and Life Saving Services.
- 10.0. Boat and Equipment.
- 11.0. Incident Reporting.

#### 1.0. SAFETY ADVISOR

1.1. Before a Event, the organising committee shall appoint a Safety Advisor who shall be a member of the organising committee and shall advise on the implementation of British Rowing's Guide to Safe Practice in Rowing - "Row Safe" at the Event plus any plus any additional requirements within these Rules.

#### 2.0. EVENT COMMITTEE

- 2.1. Before the Event the organising committee shall appoint an Event committee consisting of the race officials, as appointed in Rule 22 of the H & D Regatta Rules, the safety advisor and one or more members of the organising committee.
- 2.2. The Event committee shall be responsible for suspension of racing for safety reasons.

#### 3.0. SAFETY

- 3.1. The Event committee shall monitor safety issues throughout the course of the Event to ensure compliance with all safety requirements as laid down in the Event rules, in particular:
- Continued availability of manned safety boats and medical and life saving services,
- Conduct of Club Briefing
- Adherence to safety instructions within the briefing

#### 4.0. SUSPENDING RACING.

- 4.1. The Safety Advisor and Event Committee shall monitor water conditions throughout the period of the Event. If, at any time, either finds that conditions jeopardise safety or fair racing they shall stop or suspend racing in total or by class of event until such time as safe and fair conditions are restored.
- 4.2. If time permits, they should consult with each other and with the rest of the Event committee before taking action and before resuming racing after an enforced break.
- 4.3. Any of the key officials associated with a particular race may halt racing if safety or fairness is compromised and should involve the Safety Advisor of the Event committee as soon as possible.

## **5.0. VIOLATION OF SAFETY RULES.**

5.1. Any crew violating the published circulation pattern safety rules or executing a dangerous manoeuvre or rowing on the course within 30 mins of published start time may be subject to an official warning or disqualification.

## 6.0. SAFETY INFORMATION AND CIRCULATION PATTERNS.

6.1. At least one month before the event takes place the event secretary or event safety adviser will provide the Association Secretary and Regional Rowing Safety Adviser with a completed safety self-audit on the forms provided which must include a copy of the Safety & Communications plan, the risk assessment and the Emergency plan for the event.

- 6.2. The Organising Committee shall develop and publish to competing clubs and to official's detailed diagrams and instructions covering -
- Communication plan.
- Safety Plan
- The circulation pattern to be always followed during the race period and during practice sessions in the neighbourhood of the course.
- Any special points of danger, on or near the course.
- Safety boat and first aid positions and how to summon help.
- Medical support arrangements.
- Location of emergency telephones.
- marshalling instructions.
- when and where crews may practice, warm up or cool down on the water.
- 6.3. The instructions above should be published in the event programme and distributed to competing clubs and officials not less than 7 days prior to the event to which they apply. It is the responsibility of clubs to ensure that these instructions are distributed to crews.
- 6.4. The above instructions should form the basis of the Club Briefing.
- 6.5. (Recommendation) Event committees should print in their programme the location of the nearest telephone that can be used in an emergency. Where there is not a suitable telephone at the Event site a mobile phone should be available at the Event Control.

#### 7.0. EVENT PUBLIC LIABILITY INSURANCE.

7.1. All events granted a H&D Event Permit must have appropriate public liability insurance with a minimum cover of £10 million in place for the event.

## 8.0. PROVISION OF SAFETY BOATS.

8.1. One or more safety boats must be provided to give adequate assistance to boats in difficulty and to keep the course clear and provision should also be made for a boat or boats other than the umpires boat to be responsible for keeping the turning buoys in position. It is recommended that at least one of the safety Boat crew has a minimum qualification of RYA2 or the equivalent level of experience and that all safety boats have a crew of at least two people.

#### 9.0. PROVISON OF MEDICAL AND LIFE SAVING SERVICES.

9.1. The Event committee should ensure that medical and life saving services are available if required.

## 10.0. BOAT AND EQUIPMENT INSPECTIONS.

10.1. The Association may appoint a safety Sub-Committee who may inspect, at any Event, Club boats, equipment and life jackets and may serve notice on the clubs of any defects found which must be rectified before the next Event or if considered life threatening before the next race.

## 11.0. INCIDENT REPORTING.

11.1. The Event Committee/Event Safety Adviser AND the Safety Adviser or a member of the Club involved in a safety incident at an event, that meets the BR criteria of a reportable incident must, within two days of the incident taking place submit an incident report via British Rowing's on-line incident reporting system.

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